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**FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT**

**LS 6945**

**BILL NUMBER:** HB 1850

**DATE PREPARED:** Dec 30, 2000

**BILL AMENDED:**

**SUBJECT:** Election of Judges.

**FISCAL ANALYST:** Mark Goodpaster

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**FUNDS AFFECTED:**      **GENERAL  
DEDICATED  
FEDERAL**

**IMPACT:** Local

**Summary of Legislation:** This bill requires the election of judges in Lake County and St. Joseph County. It eliminates the Allen County Judicial Nominating Commission, the Lake County Judicial Nominating Commission, the St. Joseph County Judicial Nominating Commission, and the St. Joseph County Judicial Qualifications Commission. It continues the current judges in office until the end of the judges' current terms.

**Effective Date:** July 1, 2001.

**Explanation of State Expenditures:**

**Explanation of State Revenues:**

**Explanation of Local Expenditures:** These three counties would not save any money by repealing these Judicial Nominating and Qualification Committees. This is because members reportedly do not claim the per diem and expense reimbursements to which they are entitled.

**Explanation of Local Revenues:**

**State Agencies Affected:**

**Local Agencies Affected:** Lake County Judicial Nominating Commission; Allen County Judicial Nominating Commission; St. Joseph County Judicial Nominating Commission.

**Information Sources:** Pam Finlayson, Allen County Election Board, (219) 449-7547; Allen County Clerk's Office, (219) 449-7424; Linda Scopelitis, St. Joseph County Clerk, (219) 235-9635.